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CONSTITUTION

Article I.—This body shall be known as The Wake Baptist Association.

Art. II.—The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity with the New Testament.

Art. III.—This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by churches connected with it, each church being entitled to at least one delegate, and then one delegate for each hundred members or fraction thereof. Ministers who are members of the churches connected with this body shall be considered members of the Association ex officio; and ministers who are not in charge of, or connected with, churches within the bounds of this Association, and who present testimonials of good standing in the Baptist denomination, may become members of this Association by payment of one dollar annually; provided, ministers who aided in the organization of this Association shall be considered members so long as they are in good standing in the Baptist denomination.

Art. IV.—The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment, giving an account of the condition of the church, and a statement of all funds contributed for the benevolent purposes during the year.

Art. V.—The officers of this body shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor, and a Statistician, whose duties shall be such as are generally performed by such officers. In addition, there shall be appointed a Home Board, a Foreign Mission Board, an Educational Board, a Sunday-school Board, and an Executive Board, which latter shall have charge of the work of the Association during the interim of its annual sessions, and three members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum, and the officers of the body shall be

ex officio members. The other boards shall have supervisions of the work of the Association along their several lines, subject to the Executive Board and the Association, and shall so organize the territory of the Association as to accomplish the best results, but not contrary to the Executive Board or the Association.

Art. VI.—It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberations of the body, to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion concerning any subject under discussion after others have spoken or when called upon, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. VII.—It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session, and superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes among the churches.

Art. VIII.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches or collected during the session of this body, and disburse the same for the purposes for which they were sent or collected. He shall not pay any order drawn on the treasury except it is signed by the Moderator and the Clerk of the Association, subject to the provisions in the By-Laws.

Art. IX.—Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an annual session of the Association through delegates appointed for that purpose; and if the Association shall consent to receive her, the Moderator shall extend to the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

Art. X.—This Association shall not maintain fellowship with any churches that neglect to preserve gospel order.

Art. XI.—The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats, and extend to them all the privileges of the body save that of voting.

Art. XII.—The annual session of this body shall commence on Wednesday before the third Sabbath in August, at such place as the Association may select.

Art. XIII.—All ministers composing the Association shall hold three ministerial meetings a year, in such place as the brethren may designate.

Art. XIV.—We will receive no ministers into this Association but those who have a good moral character.

Art. XV.—Any Baptist Sunday-School or missionary society within the bounds of this Association may become a member of the Association by sending voluntary contributions. Each shall be entitled to one delegate.

Art. XVI.—We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the gospel rule.

Art. XVII.—Each church connected with this Association can continue its membership by supporting this Constitution.

Art. XVIII.—By appointment of the Association, there shall be preached during each session an introductory sermon.

Art. XIX.—This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Art. XX.—Each church belonging to this Association shall send 5 cents per member represented to each annual session for the Association funds.

BY-LAWS.

Section 1. All moneys sent from churches, Sunday-schools, societies and individuals shall be acknowledged in the minutes of the Association.

Sec. 2. Before the final adjournment of the Association, all the funds, notes, etc., shall be counted by the Finance Committee and Treasurer. The Treasurer shall give the Finance Committee a receipt for the amount placed in his hands.

Sec. 3. The Treasurer, before receiving any funds from the Association, shall give a justified bond for a sum double the amount of that which may come into his hands, for the faithful performance of the duties of his office.

- Sec. 4. No missionary or agent of this Association shall be Treasurer.
- Sec. 5. The Treasurer shall pay out no money except upon an order written by the Clerk and signed by the Moderator.
- Sec. 6. After the expenses of the Association shall have been paid, the remaining associational funds shall be applied to such purposes as the Association shall direct. The Executive Board shall execute the plans adopted by the Association.
 - Sec. 7. The Treasurer shall turn over to his successor all funds, notes, books and papers belonging to the Association as soon as his successor shall give bond as directed in the above section.
 - Sec. 8. Should the newly elected Treasurer in any case fail to qualify, the Finance Committee shall retain the funds and be held responsible for the same till a Treasurer is elected or the Executive Board shall qualify.
 - Sec. 9. The Auditor shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer and make annual reports to the Association.
 - Sec. 10. The duties of the boards provided for in the Constitution shall be such as are usually performed by such boards in other similar bodies.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- 1. Call the meeting to order.
- 2. Address of welcome.
- 3. Response by the Moderator.
- 4. Introductory Sermon.
- 5. Enrollment of Delegates.
- 6. Appointment of Committees.
 - (1) Committee on Hours of Meeting, etc.
 - (2) Committee on Credentials.
 - (3) Committee on Finance.

- (4) Committee on Letters.
- (5) Committee on Resolutions.
- (6) Committee on Reception of Churches.
- 7. Reports of Executive Board.
- 8. Report of Missionary Board.
- 9. Report of Educational Board.
- 10. Report of Treasurer.
- 11. Report of other Committees.
- 12. Miscellaneous Business.
- 13. Address on Mission and Educational Work.

COURSE OF STUDY FOR THOSE HAVING THE MINISTRY IN VIEW.

Reading, writing, arithmetic, United States history, general history, geography, and Scripture geograpry, theology, systematic theology (Pendleton), The Church (Harvey), Deaconship (Howell), Church Discipline (Hiscox), Homiletics (Broadus), History of the Baptist Denomination.

The course of study was adopted unanimously by the Association, and the churches are requested to license no person who cannot pass a creditable examination on reading, writing, the fundamental principles of arithmetic, grammar and geography; and to ordain no person who cannot pass a satisfactory examination on the entire course.

PROCEEDINGS

Youngsville, N. C., August 12, 1914.

The Wake Baptist Association met in its forty-eighth annual session with the Union Grove Baptist Church, August 12, 1914.

The devotions were conducted by Brother W. H. Riddick and Bro. R. T. Allen.

Hymn 640, "Blest be the tie that binds," was sung.

Brother Allen read a portion of Acts, 2nd chapter, and led in prayer.

"My soul be on thy guard" was sung.

By common consent the address of welcome and response were deferred till the evening session.

The Moderator made some timely remarks; and among other things he said there were some with us last year who will not be with us this year. He referred to Rev. W. A. Jones who lies on his bed of affliction. He asked the Association to remember our dear brother in their prayer.

Bros. I. W. Holden, W. H. Ray, and I. C. Jeffreys were appointed a committee on enrollment.

Bros. S. S. Debnam, C. H. Harris, I. W. Holden and Dr. W. T. Coleman were appointed a Committee on Hours of Meeting and Adjourning.

The following brethren were appointed a committee on Finance: W. H. Ray, A. J. Simmons, C. H. Harris and Henry Newkirk.

Committee on the Reception of New Churches: Dr. S. H. Witherspoon, Bros. I. C. Jeffreys, Ross Wall, S. J. Taylor, Isham Hunter, Dexter Williams, and Rev. H. Pair.

Remarks were then made by different brethren.

Brother Isham Hunter expressed his pleasure in being present in another annual meeting of the Association; said

he had been in the cause fifty years. He was proud to see the progress of this body. He was proud of the Moderator whom he had known from childhood.

Brother I. C. Jeffreys next spoke, and expressed his ideas of how the finances should be paid out.

Bro. W. H. Ray said the delegates should carry the workings of the Association back to their churches and inspire them to do more work in advancing the Master's kingdom.

Bro. R. S. Yarborough was proud that he was a member of this grand Association.

Bro. L. O. Gill spoke of the difficulty of raising money for religious objects.

Bro. J. H. Williamson was glad of the privilege of meeting this Association. He was now consecrated to the Master's work.

Bro. C. H. Harris next spoke. Said he was proud of word "Baptist." He looked to this great denomination for the redemption of the world. Improvement of society depends upon the purity of the homes. Get the homes right and you will get the churches right.

Bro. John Strickland said that our duty is to work, not be discouraged by those who will not live right.

Bro. G. W. Nicholson said we represent a great cause and our work will succeed.

Bro. W. H. Riddick said to stop whiskey drinking, we must abstain from it ourselves, and never allow it to come in our homes.

Bro. Othor Dunn said we must always speak encouraging, work and carry the spirit of the Association to our churches.

Bro. J. T. Terry was pleased to meet the Association and was interested in every good work.

Bro. Wm. Johnson spoke on our duty to children. Have proper home training.

The Committee on Hours of Meeting reported as follows: Meet at 10 A. M. Adjourn at 1 P. M. Meet at 2:30 P. M. Adjourn at 5 P. M. Meet at 8 P. M. Adjourn at pleasure. Rev. H. Pair and Bro. R. S. Morgan were added to the Committee on Reception of New Churches.

A collection of \$2.60 was taken.

The Association adjourned with benediction by Rev. J. H. Moore.

Wednesday Afternoon.

Association met at 2:30.

Devotions were conducted by Rev. A. E. Powell and Bro. John Ivey.

Psalm 111 was read by Brother Ivey.

Brother Powell led in prayer.

After singing "Glory to His Name," the Moderator announced that the introductory sermon would be preached by one of our most experienced pastors, Dr. S. H. Witherspoon.

Brother Witherspoon was assisted by Rev. John H. Moore, pastor of Mt. Bright Church, Hillsboro, who lined the hymn, "Oh, for a faith that will not shrink," etc.

After reading the Scripture lesson, Rev. C. H. Mayes led in prayer.

Hymn—"Come holy Spirit," was sung.

Dr. Witherspoon chose for his subject: "Man's Work for God." Text, 1 Chron. 22:14:

David did great things for God; they looked poor in the eyes of noble men. \$900,000,000 was turned over to Solomon for the erection of the temple and Solomon added \$2,-100,000,000, and yet this looked small in the eyes of a noble soul.

Whatever work man may do looks poor when compared with God's work.

Whatever man gives is poor when compared with what God gives us. God brings a great wealth of blessings into the life of man.

They are drones who are always complaining about giving. We should ever be mindful of the gift of this world and the gift of Calvary.

Again, one man's work fits into his successors—one sows and another reaps.

Forty-eight years ago our older brethren laid the foundation of this Association. We are to build upon it. Franklin paved the way for all the mighty machinery impelled by electricity. Our work is preparatory.

Man should attempt great things for God, and thus glorify his Creator. God gives opportunity to do great things for Him.

Work for God must not be undertaken to please men.

Christianity is not a creed; not a society. Christianity is Jesus Christ, and expressed in holy living and good works.

The sermon was well prepared, well delivered and made a deep impression upon the large and attentive audience that filled the large church.

At the conclusion of the sermon, Bro. H. G. Pope led in a fervent prayer.

Adjourned to arrange homes for the delegates.

EVENING SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 8:30.

Rev. R. W. Underwood and Bro. C. D. Jones conducted the devotional exercises.

Dr. W. T. Coleman was presented by the Moderator to the delegates and friends. Dr. Coleman stated that he had recently come to this field and requested Bro. I. W. Holden, who had labored for many years to build up this community, to give the address of welcome. Brother Holden said it was a great pleasure to welcome such a body to this progressive town and church.

The doors of this community are wide open and we bid you welcome.

Nineteen years ago you met in this church. Since then our beautiful house has been burned. By hard work we built this house, all paid for except the seats.

Prof. J. W. Ligon, the Moderator, responded to the address.

We heartily accept the hearty words of welcome.

We represent, said he, the kingdom of Christ and assure the church that we shall walk worthy of our vocation.

He made reference to the loss of the lamented Dr. Worlds, who has been called to his reward, and Rev. W. A. Jones and Rev. T. B. Edwards who are detained at their homes by affliction.

The Moderator introduced Rev. D. S. Saulter to preach the educational sermon, assisted by Rev. C. H. Mayes.

After some preliminary remarks, Brother Saulter took for his text "Show thyself a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

1. To have the approval of God we must study.

To study God's Word, we must have the aid of the Holy Spirit.

A knowledge of science does not give power with men.

We must study God; His personality; His deity; His plan of redemption, etc. To teach others we must study and study in a theological school.

- 2. How to study:
- (a) Privately. Alone in your room, on your knees. "Learn of me," said Jesus.
- (b) Prayerfully. Empty ourselves of preconceived ideas. Ask God to open your understanding.

The preacher must be the best informed man. He has to preach to all classes of people.

Preparation to preach the Gospel cost time, money, and sacrifice of pleasure.

At the conclusion of the sermon, Brother Mayes led in prayer.

Prof. J. L. Levister was introduced to the audience and

presented the claims of the Theological School of Shaw University.

Bros. R. S. Morgan and I. W. Holden assisted Prof. Levister in raising a collection for the new Theological School.

The following persons gave \$1.00: C. C. Clark, R. S. Morgan, J. W. Ligon; Brother Harris, 50 cents; O. L. Pair, 50 cents; J. H. Johnson, 25 cents; R. W. Underwood, 25 cents; R. T. Allen, 50 cents; Isham Hunter, 50 cents; Chas. Leach, 25 cents; Rev. H. Pair, 50 cents; Simon Holden, 25 cents; Rev. J. C. Love, 25 cents; Rev. D. S. Saulter, 50 cents; Brother Mason Cook, 25 cents; Brother Henry Fuller, 25 cents; Miss Laura Hayes, 25 cents.

Amount of collection, \$15.25.

After announcing some committees the Association adjourned with benediction by Rev. C. C. Clark.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The Association met at 10 o'clock.

Bro. J. A. Jones and Bro. John Locklair opened the meeting with a praise service.

The minutes of Wednesday's sessions were read and approved.

Rev. J. H. Moore presiding.

Rev. J. W. Ligon, the Moderator, delivered his annual address as follows:

Fellow Workers, Friends, and Messengers of the Wake Baptist Association:

Another year's work with its failures and achievements has now passed into history. And by the guiding hand of an ever merciful Providence we are brought face to face with each again. We are met to take a retrospective view of the year's work just passed, that we may learn from our mistakes and our failures; be encouraged by our successes and take counsel together for a bigger and better work ever before

in the annals of the great Wake Baptist Association. To be sure, we have been making progress along all lines of our work, but not commensurate with our numerical strength. Our reports last year showed that we had about 7,150 members belonging to (this association) the churches represented in this association. What a host for the kingdom of our God and his Christ! And what a powerful army against the power of sin and Satan, if properly disciplined and directed against the common enemy! Every disciple of Jesus like Andrew should bring someone to Jesus every year. If this was done then the kingdom of God would soon come on the earth.

The promotion of Christ's kingdom among men is the supreme object of this association. And the means of accomplishing this supreme task must be in strict conformity with the spirit of the Master manifested in the New Testament. Therefore, the first great essentiality in bringing about his kingdom is the intelligent and effective preaching of the gospel of the Son of God. Hence we should study to show ourselves approved unto God, workmen that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. In the early days of our freedom, God may have winked at our ignorance; but now it is necessary for us to make the fullest and best preparation obtainable to preach successfully the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ. We should renew our allegiance to the school of theology at Shaw University and increase our appropriation for ministerial education. should continue to encourage and help worthy young men to prepare themselves for the gospel ministry.

You will permit me to say that I do not think our churches are doing their full duty in this respect as only seven churches made any contribution to ministerial education last year; about sixty dollars. I do not believe a church has any right to license a man to preach, with opportunity to prepare himself, unless that church is willing to help him to prepare for his great task. I fear too many of our churches don't appre-

ciate a well prepared ministry; and hence encourage young men to preach without preparation. I believe that when our churches come to appreciate an efficient gospel ministry they will make larger contributions for ministerial education, which will no doubt hasten the kingdom of our God.

A Sunday School, if rightly conducted, is one of the greatest agencies in the religious education of our people. And vet it is said that some of our pastors take no interest in this work; if this be true, it is a serious mistake. No pastor should hold himself aloof from his Sunday-school, for this is one of his greatest opportunities in the religious training of his members. Therefore he should take the lead in teaching and directing the Sunday-school forces of his church. We had last year about two thousand scholars in our Sundayschools, many of whom were not Christians. less than two-sevenths of our church members attend Sundayschool. This is no doubt due in a large measure to the lack of interest on the part of some pastors; for where the pastor takes proper interest the attendance is better, and no doubt the character of the work is better, as it should be. It is painful to note that in our County Sunday-school Convention, the pastors are relegated to the background. They have no part in the management or in directing the affairs of the convention. This is a great blunder. I do not wish it understood that I am criticizing the efforts of the officers of the convention, for no doubt they have done the best under the circumstances. But what about the Sunday-school Board which is conspicuous by its inactivity. This board was appointed to organize and supervise the Sunday-school work in the bounds of this Association so as to accomplish the best results. But it has failed to act. There is a reason. Perhaps the personnel of this as well as some of the other boards needs revision. Perhaps they would then get busy and a new era in the work would be brought about.

We are expecting to have reports from all our boards be-

fore the close of this session,—the Sunday-school Board, the Educational Board, the Home Mission Board, the Foreign Mission Board,—along the line of their particular work. We believe that should the work of these boards be properly put before the members of our churches, not only will sufficient money be realized to meet all our needs, but a better spirit of Christianity and greater growth in grace would be manifested in all our churches.

The wisdom of having a corresponding secretary for the association will be seen in the increased contribution for the work. And the brethren made no mistake when they selected Rev. Cicero F. Pope to fill that responsible position. When you hear his report no doubt you will say "Well done good and faithful servant." It is our purpose to have the roll of churches called sometime during the present session that the delegates may know what each church is doing to hasten the kingdom of God among men, and by this means stimulate them to greater missionary activity.

Again, I would be the last to invade the rights and freedom of any church; but I do think our churches should be careful in calling pastors, and should see that they are in sympathy with the work of our association to the extent that they, the pastors, will attend its sessions. Another thing we should be careful about, that is organizing too many small churches. Such churches being unable to maintain intelligent worship, become a hinderance to the Baptist cause. Besides, our association should encourage and help any such church within its bounds, if it maintain the gospel order. Yea, the strong should help support the weak. We believe there should be uniform examination for all applicants applying for ordination, and for this purpose we wish to recommend an amendment to the constitution providing for the appointment of a ministerial board whose duty it will be to examine all applicants for ordination in the bounds of this Association. We believe this will tend to unify the examinations and elevate the standard of the ministry among us. The Psalmist says,

"How good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." To which we all say amen. But doesn't there seem to be a lack of that unity among us? The constitution provides that all ministers composing this Association shall hold three ministerial meetings a year. Has not this provision been ignored by a large majority of the brethren? These three meetings are now being held by an organization known as the Wake Baptist Ministerial Union, organized to carry out the provision of our organic law. This Union invites each church to send one deacon with its pastor, bringing a collection for the expenses of the Union and the remainder to be used as a fund to aid disabled ministers. But the real work of this Union is to enlighten and instruct the laity as well as to elevate and strengthen the ministry. Yet but few churches and ministers have heeded the call. order that the brethren might attend these meetings, the Union adopted a resolution, requesting them not to accept invitations to preach funerals and lodge sermons on these fifth Sundays, yet without avail. Our people should subscribe to the modern way and preach funerals when the person is buried and not follow the ancient way,—preaching them six months after. Why not let the pastor of the church preach the funeral anyway? As to lodges they claim more loyalty than the church. Wherever you see a church, there is the lodge. And many of us are more anxious to get people to join the lodge than we are to get them to join God's church. A sad condition this! Should this condition be reversed no doubt the kingdom of God would soon come. The cause of this condition may be safely lodged against the ministry. "Like priest like people."

May we not earnestly ask each church to see that its pastor attend these three meetings of the Union by paying their traveling expenses, and not ask them to preach funeral sermons and lodge sermons on these fifth Sundays. But not-withstanding these unfavorable circumstances, the Union has gone on increasing in momentum and power for good

among the people. Wherever it has assembled, it has met a hearty reception from the people who were unanimous in their praise of the work which it is doing. Let me say that three of the brethren have already been helped, namely the late Dr. G. W. Perry, Rev. T. B. Edwards, and Rev. P. T. Hall,—leaving about \$20 in the treasury. These brethren were overjoyed to know that they had not been forgotten by us. But the best results would be seen in a reunited ministry in one accord, with one purpose, and one standard of a Christian living. May I again remind you, brethren, that the supreme object of this Association is the promotion of the kingdom of God. And the carrying forward of the kingdom must be done by the direction and in the spirit of the Master: or we that labor, labor in vain. Hence we are not here for our own honor and fame, but we are here in the service and for the honor of our Lord. Neither are we serving in order to be saved, but because we are saved, and out of a grateful heart for our own salvation we are serving to save others. Therefore, let us rejoice that we are counted worthy to be co-workers with Him in this great cause of human uplift. Then as we go forward with the work of this, the forty-eighth annual session of the great Wake Baptist Association, let us keep in view the supreme task of the church, namely, to publish the good news of "Peace on earth and good will to men."

On motion, Rev. C. H. Williamson, Rev. J. C. Love, and Rev. D. S. Saulter were appointed a committee on the Moderator's address.

The subject, "The Support of a Pastor," was then discussed by Brother I. W. Holden and Dr. W. T. Coleman.

"Money and Its Proper Use" was ably discussed by Rev. H. Pair.

Rev. C. H. Williamson continued the discussion on the support of the pastor. Dr. Pegues, Rev. J. H. Moore, Bro. R. S. Yarboro, and Rev. C. E. Askew made able addresses and recommendations.

The Executive Board made its annual report which was adopted.

The treasurer submitted his annual report. Adopted.

Rev. C. H. Williamson addressed the Association on the Baptist Sentinel.

After lifting a collection of \$2.00, the Association adjourned with benediction.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Association was called to order at 2.30 P. M.

Rev. H. Pair conducted the devotional exercises, assisted by Brother J. A. Jones.

Minutes of the morning session were read and adopted.

A telegram from Rev. M. A. Tilley was read.

The Committee on Reception of New Churches submitted their report. The report was adopted.

The right hand of fellowship was extended to the delegates from the churches received.

Voted that the Association express its sympathy to Rev. P. T. Hall and Rev. W. A. Jones through the corresponding secretary.

Rev. Chas. H. Mayes was appointed to preach to the large audience outdoors.

"How Devotions Should be Conducted" was ably discussed by Rev. C. E. Askew.

The Committee on Place made its report. Adopted.

Sister Chana Smith was presented to the Association to represent Sister Mial's work on the foreign field. A collection of \$6.05 was raised for Sister Mial's work.

Committee on Moderator's address made their report. Adopted.

The Committee on Obituaries made their report. Adopted. Prof. C. F. Pope, the corresponding secretary, submitted his report. Adopted.

Committee on Temperance made their report. Adopted. Committee on Resolutions submitted their report. Adopted The Committee on Officers reported. The report was adopted.

The Educational Board submitted its report. Adopted. Amount collected at the school house was \$4.56.

The following brethren were elected delegates to the Lott Carey Convention: Dr. A. B. Vincent, Rev. J. W. Ligon, Allen Thomas, F. R. Freeman, T. S. Stokes, Rev. C. H. Williamson. The following brethren were elected to the Missionary and Educational Convention: Dr. W. T. Coleman, Rev. J. C. Love and Rev. J. H. Moore.

Adjourned with benediction by Rev. J. C. Love.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The Association assembled at 8:30 P. M.

Brother O. L. Pair conducted the praise service.

Scripture lesson, Prov. 10th chapter, was read. Brother R. P. Lacy led in prayer.

Minutes of the afternoon session were read and adopted. The Foreign Mission Board submitted its report.

After some remarks by Dr. Witherspoon the report was adopted.

Brother C. D. Jones made some remarks on the work of the Association.

Rev. J. H. Moore was presented to the Association to preach the doctrinal sermon.

Brother Moore chose for a text John 4:24. Subject, "Spiritual Worship."

Christ expressed himself as the bread of life; the light of the world; that He is the bread of life; the light of the world; the Good Shepherd, etc., has been proved during these two centuries. Confession and faith are the cardinal principles of spiritual worship.

The difference in the Christian religion and all other religions is that the Christian religion is a spiritual religion. We follow an invisible God.

The people of the world are following a God that they can see and feel.

All classes and conditions can reach our God when they come before Him in spirit and truth. The poor widow could reach her God by coming before Him in her poverty.

The poor publican could come through his sense of unworthiness.

This religion, when planted in the heart, cannot be uprooted. This is where Satan misunderstood Job. By stripping him of his possessions, Satan thought he could rob Job of his religion. This religion changes the life when it enters into the soul. God knows what is in our hearts and understands our desires.

There is a blending of spirits. God is a spirit. His Son is a spirit, and when we come in possession of his spirit, then our spirit blends with God's and we are one with Him."

Dr. A. W. Pegues led in prayer.

Collection of \$6.33 was lifted.

The Finance Committee made their report. Adopted.

After remarks by several brethren, the Association adjourned with singing "Blest be the tie that binds," etc.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF THE WAKE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

As Corresponding Secretary of the Wake Association, I endeavored to visit each church in the Wake Association, in interest of missions—especially foreign missions.

In going to the churches, I made observations along the following lines:

First: The educational conditions.

Second: Material conditions.

Third: The spiritual conditions.

I might say in a sentence, that I found conditions along all these lines favorable in all the churches that I visited. And I tried to encourage the people to press onward and upward.

I earnestly emphasized the importance and the imperative duty of all Christians to exercise the "grace" of giving money for missions—especially foreign missions, with the following results:

Féalt's Chapel	2.52
First Baptist, Franklinton	9.00
Macedonia	4.05
Mount Pleasant	5.67
Old Liberty	3.00
Oak City	2.21
Saint Matthews	8.34
Wakefield	11.11
Riley Hill	12.98
Wake Chapel	3.71
New Bethel	18.77
Friendship Chapel	7.00
Stokes' Chapel	14.00
Malaby's Cross Roads	2.50
Holly Springs	5.03
Nelson's Chapel	6.00
Main Street, Louisburg	2.32
New Providence	9.74
First Baptist, Raleigh	5.55
Elizabeth	3.03
First Baptist, Selma	7.26
Saint John's, Dunn	8.03
Martin Street Baptist Church, Raleigh	2.00
Jones Hill	3.00

South Park Baptist Church, Raleigh	1.00
New Liberty Sunday-school	1.03
Union Baptist, Fuquay	.30
Wendell, First Baptist	
White Oak	.56
New Light	1.02
Mount Bright, Hillsboro	3.00
Contributions from individuals not counted in the	
general collections	2.95
Total amount of money collected	\$168.18
Expenses	
Turned over to the Association	
REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF WA	KE
Association.	
Expenses:	
Railroad fare, C. F. Pope	\$ 16.00
1,000 mission envelopes at \$1.00 per 100	•
100 printed letters	
Postage, mailing letters and cards	
Rev. J. W. Ligon, railroad fare	
Rev. A. E. Powell, railroad fare	
Rev. C. C. Clark, railroad fare	
Dr. N. F. Roberts, railroad fare	
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Total expense	¢ 24 90
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Honor Roll.	
The names of those who gave one dollar or more in	the col-
lections:	
Mrs. Luda Umphrey	
Rev. P. T. Hall	1.00

Rev. J. C. Love	1.00
Bro. F. R. Freeman	1.00
Bro. Thomas McCullers	1.48
Bro. R. S. Morgan	5.00
Rev. M. V. Canady	

C. F. POPE,

Corresponding Secretary Wake Association.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

The Executive Board has held two meetings since the last meeting of the Association.

In the first meeting appropriations were made to the various objects the Association is endeavoring to foster: Ministerial education, orphan asylum, home missions and foreign missions.

The amounts appropriated for these objects are not large but some progress has been made. For the first time we were able to send to the Lott Carey Convention \$100. Through the efforts of our efficient corresponding secretary, Prof. C. F. Pope, we hope to double that amount this year. Professor Pope, as his report herewith appended shows, has visited nearly all the churches of the Association and spared no pains in pressing the claims of the foreign mission work.

In the last meeting the only business transacted was the arranging of the program for this session.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL BOARD.

We, your Elucational Board, wish to submit the following recommendation:

1. That we urge upon our people to organize Betterment Associations in every school district and raise a fund to supplement the amount appropriated by the county. The State has set aside \$250,000 from which our public schools get little or no benefit.

If an Association will raise any amount of money the

State will give dollar for dollar. Instead of trying to foster so many private schools and academies it would be far better to co-operate with the public school authorities and improve our public schools in the country districts by building better school houses and employing better teachers.

2. Ministerial Education.—The greatest need in our denominational work is a consecrated and thoroughly prepared ministry. Our older ministers, who have wrought so well and to whom we are indebted for the wonderful progress we have made, are passing to their heavenly reward. Young men upon whom God lays hands must be prepared to take up the work. We must make ample provision to assist them. We are pleased to report that the new theological building, a home for our theological school, is in course of erection. The foundation and basement is laid and nearly all the material for the walls is on the grounds. Money is needed to employ masons and carpenters to do the work.

This theological school, in our bounds, ought to be the pride of this Association and every minister and member should rally to its support.

Our good brother, Prof. J. L. Levister, a son of this Association, has been appointed as financial agent to raise funds to complete the theological building. We heartily commend him to all the churches and trust that he may soon get in hand a sufficient amount to complete our theological building.

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

We, your board, beg leave to submit the following report: We rejoice in the progress of the foreign mission work. Our churches are becoming interested in raising money to support our missionaries on the foreign field. Four of these missionaries are from our State and one, a child of this Association, Rev. James O. Hayes, the veteran missionary, who has been on the foreign field for thirty years, is still pushing forward the work in Africa and sends encouraging reports.

Rev. W. H. Thomas and wife and Dr. C. C. Boone are getting the work well organized and it is hoped that they will soon have sufficient buildings in which to carry on their work.

We heartily endorse the envelop system of collecting money for missions. The penny system is good and has worked well in churches where it has been adopted. We recommend that each church adopt the method that works best and strive to increase the amount for missions from year to year.

Respectfully submitted,

Foreign Mission Board.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

A. W. Pegues, treasurer, in account with Wake Baptist Association:

Desired from Einen Committee

Received from Finance Committee	316.75
Total receipts	\$331.90
Credit:	
To Dr. J. J. Worlds, traveling expenses\$.75
"Treasurer, traveling expenses	1.00
" Sexton Mount Pleasant Church	2.00
" Dr. N. F. Roberts, secretary, salary	18.00
"Theological Department Shaw University	50.00
"Rev. R. Shepard for Orphan Asylum	15.00
" Dr. C. S. Barrow, State missions	10.00
" Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention	100.00 -
" Delegates to Lott Carey Convention	21.00
" Representation in Ed. and Missionary Convention	21.50
" Delegates' expense to the Convention	4.65
" Shaw University for S. L. Arrington	5.00
" Commercial Printing Co., Minutes	31.50

To Shaw University for S. L. Arrington and J. Jones	\$9.50
" N. F. Roberts, postage on Minutes	3.90
" N. F. Roberts, church letters, programs and post-	
age	7.50
" Shaw University Students' Aid Fund	25.00
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Total	\$326.30
Balance on hand	\$5.60
Macedonia Church (due)	.70
Total	\$ 6.30

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY.

Whereas: The sad messenger death has stolen from us our dear father and brother, Dr. J. J. Worlds, who for several years served as a faithful Moderator of this Association; and

Whereas, his life was strictly a Godly life, thoroughly consecrated to good works, a model life for us to follow; and

Whereas, he was deeply concerned in the welfare of this Association and especially in the training of young men for the gospel ministry; therefore

Be it resolved, That we commend his life and high ideals to every minister of the gospel and emulate his example in all good, and that we humbly submit to the all-wise Creator who loves and cares for the final faithful not only in this life but in the life to come.

REV. J. H. MOORE,
BRO. CHARLES LEACH,
BRO. J. P. CHAVIS,
BRO. D. S. JOHNS,
BRO. S. M. LUCAS,
BRO. A. J. HAWKINS,
BRO. R. W. UNDERWOOD,
BRO. R. T. ALLEN,
BRO. HARVEY CLEMENTS.

RESOLUTIONS.

We, the Committee on Resolutions, present the following:

1. Whereas, the possession of property adds greatly to the strength and influence of any people; therefore

Be it resolved:

- 1. That we encourage our people to secure homes and farms wherever they can and discourage the mortgaging of these homes whenever secured.
- 2. That they be taught economy and to save bank accounts and thereby crush out the blighting effect of credit system.
- 2. Resolved, That we pledge our hearty support to the Baptist Sentinel.
- 3. Resolved, That we pledge our hearty support to the Theological Department of Shaw University.
- 4. Resolved, That we encourage young men of promising talents to prepare for the ministry and that they receive the full moral support of their church.
- 5. Whereas, the ministry of our denomination has not the proper support; and whereas, the churches are looking to ministers for efficient leadership; therefore

Be it resolved, That we urge our churches to adopt and follow the Bible plan of supporting our pastors, which plan, if property followed, will give the ministry ample support.

- 6. Resolved, That churches wherever justifiable have their pastors meet them twice a month.
- 7. Whereas, this Association has been royally entertained by this church and its friends under the direction of its efficient pastor, Dr. W. T. Coleman; therefore be it

Resolved, That we turn to them our heartfelt thanks for their generous hospitality.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

"Ye are the temple of God," says the Scriptures.
God's temple should be kept as a fit dwelling place for Him.

Therefore all defilement of the temple is sin. Everything that defiles the temple is the direct cause of sin and hence is sin.

We would therefore recommend that members of our churches abstain from everything that defiles.

We call special attention to all forms of alcohol and narcotics. The use of these drugs causes physical destruction as may be seen in various forms of diseases as delirium tremens, epileptic fits, etc.; it destroys the mental faculties as may be attested by schools all over the country; it undermines the moral strength, as fallen men and women everywhere will testify.

To the end that the sale and use as beverages of all alcoholic liquors and cocaine in any form may be destroyed we would urge that the evil effects of these drugs be taught in our public schools; that more emphasis be put upon it in our Sunday-schools; and that we ask our pastors to speak upon it as often as practicable in their Sunday-schools, and explain the evil effects in some sermon to his church or churches at least twice a year.

Further, that this Association put itself on record as unequivocally opposed to the sale and use of all forms of alcoholic liquors and cocaine as beverages.

Dr. A. W. Pegues,
Bro. H. R. Snow,
Rev. C. C. Clark,
Bro. S. S. Nicholson,
Bro. T. S. Stokes,
Bro. P. C. Collins,
Bro. J. W. Baker,
Committee on Temperance.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MODERATOR'S ADDRESS.

We, your Committee on Moderator's Address, beg leave to submit the following:

We regard the address as a masterpiece and timely in every way. Therefore we recommend that the recommendations be adopted by this Association and as far as possible carry them into effect.

C. H. WILLIAMSON,
D. S. SAULTER,
J. C. LOVE,

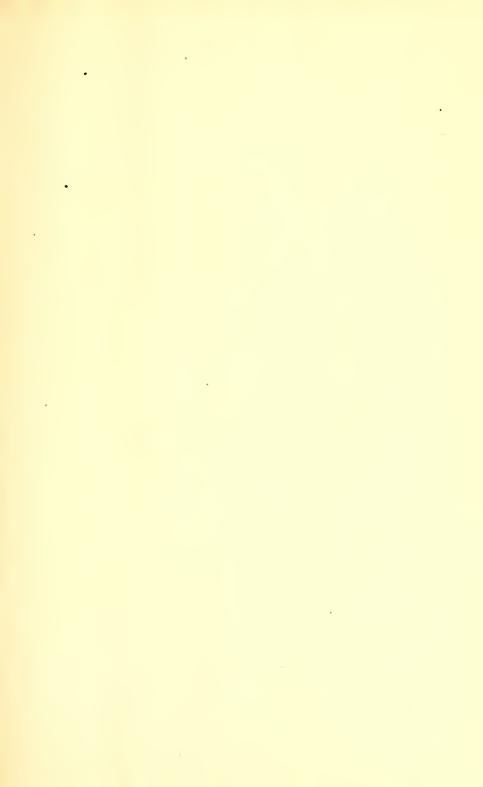
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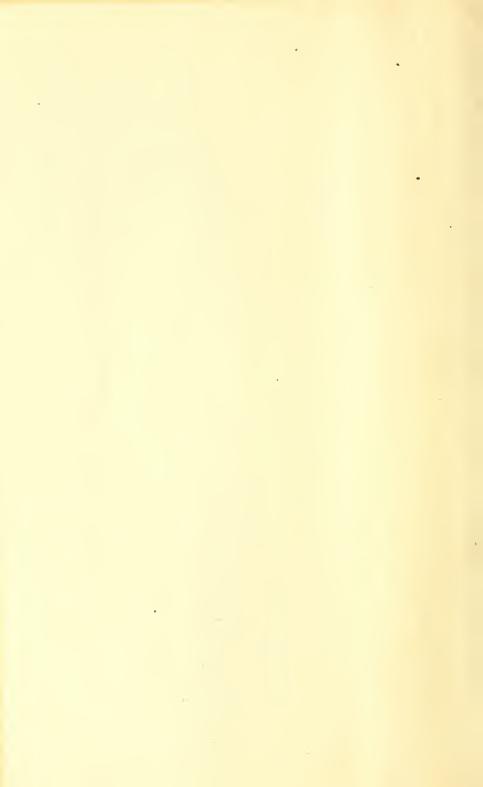
ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Rev. John H. Moore, Hillsboro, N. C.; Quinton Jones, Holly Springs; W. H. Ray, Raleigh, R. 1; O. Allen, Raleigh, R. 1; R. S. Wall, Wake Forest, R. 1; Rev. D. S. Saulter, High Point; Rev. J. C. Love, West Raleigh; Dr. A. W. Pegues, Raleigh; Rev. C. E. Askew, Raleigh; A. J. Simmons, Raleigh; W. S. Mosely, Raleigh; Rev. W. H. Freeman, Clayton; I. H. Estes, Wake Forest; A. Freeman, Rolesville; Rev. N. W. Watkins, Rolesville; L. O. Gill, Rolesville; J. C. Jeffreys, Rolesville; Moses P. Hunter, Raleigh, R. 5; Hunter Rogers, Raleigh, R. 5; Thomas Alston, Wake Forest; Herbert Day, Wake Forest; J. T. Ferrell, Wake Forest; John Strickland, Louisburg; R. T. Allen, Fuquay Springs, R. 1.; J. H. Williams, Louisburg, R. 2.; Rev. C. F. Pope, Raleigh; Dr. S. H. Witherspoon, West Raleigh; J. H. Debnam, Wendell; Rev. C. H. Mayes, Durham; C. H. High, Raleigh, R. 5; Charles Leach, McCullers; J. P. Chavis, Raleigh, R. 1; W. B. S. Harris, Method; John Lockley, Raleigh, R. 1; M. C. Hinton, Spring Hope; S. M. Lucas, Youngsville, R. 1; Rev. R. W. Underwood, Clinton; A. J. Hawkins, Franklinton, R. 1.; A. Harris, Franklinton, R. 1; R. S. Morgan, Raleigh, R. 5; R. S. Yarboro, Wake Forest; Otha Dunn, Wake Forest; S. J. Taylor, Wake Forest; J. W. Baker, Youngsville; Harvey Soloman, Wakefield, R. 2; E. L. Crudup; Rev. H. Pair, Knightdale; G. H. Henderson, Franklinton; W. M. Baptist, Franklinton; S. S. Nicholson; G. W. Nicholson; B. W. Young, Wake Forest, R. 3; Dexter

Williams, Raleigh; Chas. Harris, Youngsville; S. S. Debnam, Youngsville; Joseph Green, Youngsville; Henry Newkirk, Fuquay Springs; P. C. Collins, Raleigh; Dr. W. T. Coleman, Raleigh; Dr. A. B. Vincent, Raleigh; T. S. Stokes, Middlesex; Harvey Clements; M. C. Hinton; J. L. Levister, Raleigh; Rev. G. H. Williamson, Raleigh; J. H. Holcomb, Raleigh; Rev. L. T. Christmas, Raleigh; M. C. Ellis. G. T. Terrell, A. I. Goodson, R. G. Dunn.







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Churches.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Total.	Dismissed by Letter.	Expelled.	Died.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Pastor's Salary.	
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Pastor and Postoffice.	Clerk and Postoffice.	Time of Preaching. (Sunday)
Jones, Raleigh	H. G. Holden, Raleigh, No. 6	Third.
lark, Raleigh		First.
ove, West Raleigh		First.
Underwood, Clinton	Oliver Lucas, Youngsville	Second.
Jones, Wilson's Mills		First.
Pegues, Raleigh		Second and Fourth
Askew, Raleigh		Every.
E. Weeks, Wilson		Every.
Vincent, Raleigh		Second.
Moore, Raleigh		Fourth.
r, Knightdale		First.
ove, West Raleigh		Second.
Price, Raleigh	William Walden, Garner	First.
Pope, Raleigh		First.
Alston, Henderson		
r, Knightdale		Fourth.
avis, Shocco		Fourth.
Mayes, Durham		Every.
McKay. Dunn		First.
Ioore, Hillsboro		Every.
lark, Raleigh	W. H. Ray, Raleigh, No. 1	Second.
Parham, Henderson	Bettie Perry, Franklinton	Third,
Halbert. Raleigh	J. L. G. Cook, Louisburg	
Dunn, Wake Forest	Henry Garrett, Creedmore	Second.
aulter	D. Jeffreys, Wake Forest, No. 3	Fourth.
Jones, Raleigh	John W. Laws, Holly Springs	Second.
ones, Littleton		First.
Hall, West Raleigh		Second.
Witherspoon, West Raleigh		Every.
Johnson, Raleigh		Fourth.
Jones, Wilson's Mills		Fourth.
Ransom, Oxford		Third,
Price, Raleigh		Fourth.
r. Knightdale		Second.
r. Knightdale		Third.
Ligon, Raleigh		First.
Ounn, Wake Forest		Fourth,
Williamson, Raleigh		Every.
Coleman, M.D., Raleigh	C. H. Harris, Youngsville	Second.
Thorp, Oxford		necond.
Hall, Knightdale		
Freeman, Clayton		Fourth.
Jones, Wilson's Mills		Third.
Perry. Middlesex		Third.
Moore, Raleigh		Third.
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